

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Mike Milburn, on April 12, 2007 at 4:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Mike Milburn, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Robyn Driscoll, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)  
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)  
Rep. Gary Branae (D)  
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)  
Rep. Ernie Dutton (R)  
Rep. George G. Groesbeck (D)  
Rep. Edward Hilbert (R)  
Rep. Rick Jore (C)  
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)  
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)  
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)  
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)  
Rep. John Ward (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Harry Klock (R)  
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)  
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary  
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HJR 58, 4/10/2007

Executive Action: SJR 3

**HEARING ON HJR 58**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:22 Rep. Mike Milburn (R), HD 19, opened the hearing on HJR 58, Study recreational access to rivers and streams at bridges.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:04:28 John Youngbird, representing Montana Farm Bureau  
00:06:26 Steve Pilcher, representing Montana Stock Growers Association  
00:14:03 Mike Murphy, representing Montana Water Resources Association  
00:15:05 Karla Johnson, representing Montana Cattle Women  
00:17:11 Gene Curry, Valier rancher  
00:19:00 Jay Bodner, representing Montana Association of State Grazing Districts and Public Lands Council

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:21:14 Robert Throssell, representing Montana Wildlife Federation  
00:24:03 Stan Frasier, Helena resident, Helena Hunters and Anglers  
00:26:14 Mark Aagenes, Montana Trout Unlimited  
00:29:34 Tony Schoonen, Skyline Sportsman Association and Public Lands/Water Access Association, Inc.

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00:31:12 Lorry Thomas, Anaconda Sportsman  
00:31:39 Bob Korizek, self  
00:32:32 Jeff Hagener, Director, Fish, Wildlife & Parks

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:34:34 Rep. Phillips  
00:34:49 Rep. Milburn  
00:37:36 Rep. Phillips  
00:38:51 Rep. Milburn  
00:39:44 Rep. Van Dyk  
00:40:32 John Youngbird  
00:40:43 Rep. Van Dyk

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses: (Con't)**

00:41:31 John Youngbird  
00:42:38 Rep. Peterson  
00:43:11 Jeff Hagener  
00:43:30 Rep. Peterson  
00:43:55 Jeff Hagener  
00:45:00 Rep. Peterson  
00:45:41 Jeff Hagener  
00:47:18 Rep. Hilbert  
00:49:11 Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division  
00:49:26 Rep. Hilbert  
00:50:33 Mark Aagenes  
00:53:08 Rep. Hilbert  
00:55:06 Rep. Dutton  
00:56:16 Jeff Hagener  
01:00:00 Rep. Driscoll  
01:00:29 John Youngbird  
01:01:25 Rep. Driscoll  
01:01:36 John Youngbird  
01:01:57 Rep. Koopman  
01:04:02 Jeff Hagener  
01:06:35 Rep. Koopman  
01:07:46 Jeff Hagener  
01:09:46 Rep. Koopman  
01:12:10 Rep. Hendricks  
01:12:37 Jeff Hagener  
01:13:38 Rep. Hendricks  
01:14:07 Jeff Hagener  
01:14:44 Rep. Cordier  
01:15:22 Robert Throssell  
01:18:35 Rep. Cordier  
01:19:18 Jeff Hagener  
01:21:55 Rep. Barrett

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01:24:50 Rep. Hagener  
01:25:57 Rep. Barrett  
01:26:35 Rep. Van Dyk  
01:26:42 Rep. Hendricks  
01:27:13 Rep. Barrett  
01:27:37 Jeff Hagener  
01:28:07 Rep. Groesbeck  
01:28:57 Jeff Hagener  
01:30:13 Rep. Peterson  
01:31:48 Jeff Hagener  
01:33:12 Rep. Phillips  
01:33:58 Jeff Hagener  
01:34:17 Rep. Phillips  
01:34:36 Rep. Milburn

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:34:56 Rep. Mike Milburn

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJR 3**

01:41:27 **Motion:** Rep. Driscoll moved that **SJR 3 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:41:39 **Motion:** Rep. Barrett moved that **SJR 3 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT**(fih77a04)

**Discussion:**

01:42:34 Doug Sternberg  
01:43:00 Rep. Hilbert  
01:43:58 Doug Sternberg  
01:45:52 Rep. Phillips  
01:46:26 Rep. Cordier

01:47:39 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** 12-7 by roll call vote with Reps. Becker, Branae, Driscoll, Groesbeck, Phillips, Van Dyk, and Wilson voting no and Reps. Dutton, Groesbeck, Klock, Vincent and Wilson voting by proxy.

01:48:52 **Motion:** Rep. Ward moved that **SJR 3 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

01:48:59 Rep. Ward  
01:49:55 Rep. Koopman

01:51:34 Rep. Hilbert left the hearing and Rep. Groesbeck returned to the hearing.

01:52:30 Rep. Barrett

01:53:09 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** 17-2 by roll call vote with Reps. Jore and Koopman voting no and Reps. Dutton, Hilbert, Klock, Vincent and Wilson voting by proxy. Rep. Cordier will carry SJR 3.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 6:00 P.M.

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REP. MIKE MILBURN, Chairman

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DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([fih77aad.pdf](#))**